

the different judges and made shifts internally themselves so that instead of coming to the Legislature for a new judge every other year, in fact since you and I have been in the Legislature, Senator Higgins, they have come to the Legislature for five judges and gotten them. Instead of five judges, almost one a year since we've been in, maybe they only have to come for a new judge once every two years or once every three years. So that's where the savings would be. If I gave you a bill right now that started to take away a judge here or there, you know what would happen, don't you?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Do you know how it works in Lancaster County? Do you do it that way here when one judge gets overloaded, then the chief judge says the other judge is going to take some of his cases?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's right.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Is that the way it works in Douglas County?

SENATOR BEUTLER: There is a system whereby the six judges, their work loads are equated so that everyone has a fair workload, that's right. The same thing in Douglas County where there are 12 judges. There is organization and the workload is shifted among the 12 judges so that it's...

SENATOR HIGGINS: What about Senator Beyer's district, Sarpy County?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Beyer's district has two, three district judges and as among them they...yeah, it's more than one county. They organize the workload within their particular district right now, the three judges. But there are six districts out there, Senator Higgins, that only have one judge, that only have one judge.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I see. Okay, thank you, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I would like to talk...wasn't going to speak, but then when I heard Rod Johnson talking that lawyers in his area are not for this particular bill and one of the things that I do